CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1	1. A folding device for producing a second longitudinal fold in products
2	of a rotary press, comprising:
3	a folding drum;
4	a folding-blade shaft having two ends, said folding-blade shaft being
5	rotatably mounted at each of said two ends in said folding drum, said folding-blade shaft
6	having at least two folding-blade carriers for holding folding blades;
7	a pair of bearings arranged in said folding drum, said ends of said folding-
8	blade shaft being mounted respectively in said folding drum by said pair of bearings;
9	and and a second of the second
10	at least one further bearing arranged in said folding drum between said
11	pair of bearings, wherein said folding-blade shaft is further rotatably supported in said
12	folding drum by said at least one further bearing between said ends of said folding-
13	blade shaft.
1	2. The folding device of claim 1, wherein said at least one further
2	bearing is arranged between adjacent ones of said at least two folding-blade carriers.
1	3. The folding device of claim 1, wherein said pair of bearings and
	5. The folding device of claim 1, wherein said pair of bearings and

- The folding device of claim 3, wherein said pair of bearings and said at least one further bearing are operatively arranged for receiving lubricating medium from a central lubricating-medium supply.
- 5. The folding device of claim 1, wherein said pair of bearings and said at least one further bearing are operatively arranged for receiving lubricating medium from a central lubricating-medium supply.
 - 6. The folding device of claim 1, further comprising a drive pinion arranged on said folding-blade shaft, said drive pinion being connected to said folding-blade shaft with a form-fitting connection by serrated toothing.

- 7. The folding device of claim 1, further comprising a carrier arranged in said folding drum, said at least one further bearing being supported on said carrier, wherein said carrier has a small material thickness in a longitudinal direction of said folding device and a large area extending approximately over the entire cross section of an interior of said folding drum in a transverse direction of said folding device.
- 8. The folding device of claim 7, wherein said carrier is connected to said folding drum by threaded connectors.
- 9. The folding device of claim 1, wherein said folding blades are spaced apart from one another in a region proximate said carrier by a distance smaller than 10 millimeters.